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SUBJECT: CODEL FLOWERS

1. REP. WALTER FLOWERS (D-ALA.), MEMBER, COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, AND FORMER MEMBER OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON IMMIGRATION, PLANS TRAVEL MEXICO AUGUST 2-8 TO DISCUSS IMMIGRATION PROBLEMS, PARTICULARLY THE ILLEGAL ALIEN SITUATION, AND US/MEXICAN RELATIONS. MRS. FLOWERS AND DAUGHTER VIVIAN, AGE 16, WILL JOIN CODEL IN MEXICO.

2. ITINERARIES FOLLOW:
REP. FLOWERS ONLY:
8/2 LV WASH 0840 EA-905 AR MEXICO CITY 1213

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MARGARET AND VIVIAN FLOWERS:

8/2 LV NEW ORLEANS 0935 EA-907 AR MEXICO CITY 1039

ENTIRE CODEL:

8/8 LV MEXICO CITY 1355 EA-906 AR NEW ORLEANS 1657

3. CODEL HAS CONFIRMED DOUBLE (FOR THREE) AT MAJESTIC HOTEL RESERVED BY EASTERN AIRLINES.

4. CODEL REQUESTS EMBASSY BRIEFING ON GENERAL POLITICAL SITUATION MORNING AUGUST 4; IN THE AFTERNOON CODEL WISHES INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS ON MEXICAN/US IMMIGRATION PROBLEMS. CODEL IS INTERESTED IN OBTAINING FIRST HAND INFORMATION REGARDING THIS PROBLEM AS THE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY HAS JUST COMPLETED CONSIDERATION OF AN ILLEGAL ALIEN BILL WHICH WILL SOON BE SCHEDULED FOR A HOUSE VOTE.

5. CODEL ALSO REQUESTS EMBASSY'S SUGGESTIONS RE DISCUSSIONS WITH MEXICAN AUTHORITIES ON IMMIGRATION PROBLEMS, AND DESIRES INSIGHT TO HOST GOVERNMENT'S RECEPTIVENESS IN THIS AREA. HE WILL WISH TO MEET WITH ABOVE. PLEASE ADVISE. IN ARRANGING ABOVE MEETINGS CODEL PREFERS AUGUST 5 REMAIN OPEN.

6. AUTHORIZATION: PROVISIONS CA-10315 DATED 10/16/72 APPLY. USE OF LOCAL CURRENCIES 19FT510 FUNDS UP TO EQUIVALENT US DOLS 75 PER DAY PLUS ACTUAL TRANSPORTATION COSTS AUTHORIZED. APPOINT CONTROL OFFICER, MEET, ASSIST, PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION. HOUSE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY. INGERSOLL

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